

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The tasks of storing and carrying a court stand to a position of use are eliminated.

A court standard for positioning a net above a gymnasium floor comprises: an embedded upright floor tube having a top end portion which is nominally in alignment with the gymnasium floor; a contained tube closely and slidably positioned within the floor tube; and, a releasable lock to maintain the contained tube at a selected height above the floor. Most preferably there are a plurality of contained tubes, each contained tube closely and slidably positioned within a tube therebelow. A method of erecting a court standard and supported net above a gymnasium floor comprises: providing a court standard as described above; elevating the contained tube to a desired height; releasably locking the contained tube at the selected height above the floor; and, attaching the net to the court standard. The task of carrying the court standard from storage is eliminated and setup time is substantially reduced.